Trump Budget Hurts Families in Macomb and Oakland Counties

SNAP – The Trump Budget proposes cutting this food assistance program by \$191 billion over 10 years. In Macomb County, 101,000 individuals receive SNAP, and in Oakland County, 91,000 receive food assistance from the program.

Social Security Disability – The Trump Budget would cut benefits under the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and Supplement Security Income (SSI) programs by a total of \$72 billion over 10 years. In the 9th Congressional District (which includes portions of Oakland and Macomb Counties), 24,000 disabled individuals receive SSDI benefits and nearly 20,000 aged and disabled individuals receive SSI benefits. These benefits are so critical that people can wait as long as a year and half to get them in the Detroit area.

Medicaid – The Trump Budget would cut the Medicaid program by \$610 billion over 10 years. Medicaid provides health coverage to 2.3 million people in Michigan, including 141,000 in Macomb County and 139,000 in Oakland County.

TANF – The Trump Budget would cut the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program by over \$15 billion over 10 years, cutting Michigan's allotment from the program by over \$760 million over the next decade.

SSBG – The Trump Budget would eliminate the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), which provides \$49 million for Michigan to spend on child protective services, elderly assistance and a variety of other social services. For example, Common Ground receives SSBG funds for their Runaway and Homeless Youth program in Royal Oak.

GLRI – The Trump Budget would eliminate the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, which funds 764 projects in Michigan to clean up areas of concern, fight invasive species, and restore and protects habitats. There are multiple GLRI projects in Oakland and Macomb counties, including the St. Clair Shores program to install green infrastructure, awarded in 2014.

LIHEAP – The Trump Budget would eliminate the Low-Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program, which provided over \$140 million for Michigan in FY 2017 for helping families with heating bills and weatherization, including \$561,000 administered by Macomb Community Action.

CDBG – The Trump Budget proposes eliminating the Community Development Block Grant. In 2016, Oakland County received \$3.6 million in CDBG funding, and used some of these funds to refurbish the homes of low-income residents to bring them up to code and eliminate lead. In Macomb County, a number of communities receive CDBG funds including the City of Roseville and Clinton Township, who use these funds to help low and middle-income residents in their communities with needs including home rehabilitation, winter heating assistance, weatherization, and senior home services. Roseville and Clinton Township also provide money from the CDBG funds they receive to service organizations including the Turning Point shelter for women who are victims of domestic violence; Care House, which provides services for children who are

victims of physical and sexual violence; and the Macomb County Rotating Emergency Shelter Team (MCREST), which provides shelter for homeless and displaced people.

CSBG – The Trump Budget would eliminate the Community Services Block Grant. OLHSA, a Community Action Agency in Oakland and Macomb Community Action both use CSBG funds to leverage other sources of funding to help needy people. For example, OLHSA used every \$1 of CSBG funds to leverage \$4.20 in other state, local, and private sources.

Job Training – The Trump budget would cut WIOA Adult, Youth, Dislocated Workers and Employment Services by more than a third. In 2016, these programs served more than 900 individuals in Macomb and St. Clair counties.